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09/840,754	04/23/2001	Vasily A. Topolkarayev	44040-228353	4990

TITLE OF INVENTION: BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY

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In re Appln. of: Topolkaraev et al.

Appln. No.: 09/840,754

Filed: April 23, 2001

For: Biodegradable Films Having Enhanced Ductility and Breathability

Attorney Docket No: 659-1682 (15,442)

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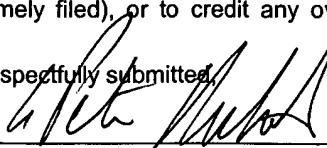
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